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The above-identified patent application claims priority to French Patent Application No. 00/13767 filed on October 26, 2000. Applicants' attorney encloses a copy of a French Search Report issued on the priority French Patent Application No. 00/13767. The Search Report cited United States Patent Nos. US 4,763,225, US 5,396,573, US

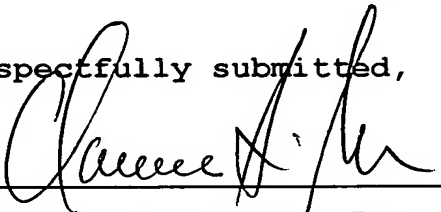
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5,241,614, US 3,766,439, US 5,011,256, US 5,852,257, and European Patent Application No. EP 0314651. Applicants' attorney also encloses copies of United States Patent Nos. US 6,024,584 and US 5,598,033, and IEEE 078035234 3/99, Electronic Competence & Technologic Conference, "The PONI-1 Parallel-Optical Link", Rosenberg et al., relevant pages thereof, all of which were cited in the specification of the above-identified patent application.

Copies of the French Search Report and the cited references are enclosed together with PTO-Form 1449.

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